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The following excerpts are from an official Greek intelligence bulletin:

1. An active Communist was the source for the information that OPLA (Organization for the Protection of Popular Security) in Athens has been well re-organized with new members from the provinces who are entirely unknown to the police. These OPLA members are in hiding in various houses within the city and constantly receive instruction. The new organization has been perfected so that as soon as it is ordered into action, it will cause a breakdown of the government machinery. A Communist source also stated that the order activating the OPLA organization is expected at any time.
- 25X1A [REDACTED] comment: ODA - Democratic Security Organization - is a terrorist and assassination unit of KKE, which is recently reported to have replaced OPLA. ODA is charged with the responsibility of retaliating for the killing of Communists.)
2. A report from Salonika states that propaganda among the rebels concerning expected aid from an International Brigade had reached such a pitch that the failure of such a brigade to come to the assistance of the rebels has caused considerable discouragement and loss of morale among the rebels and the KKE. This fact was brought to the attention of the Central Committee of KKE, and immediate aid for the rebels either material or political, was requested.
3. The Slavo-Macedonians who have fled into Serbian Macedonia, and who are between the ages of 14 and 52, are being recruited and after normal training at Monastir, are armed and sent into Greek territory.
4. Courier-liaison between the rebels in the area of Florina and Monastir is a Communist named Evangelos Skodras who comes from Xino Nero and lives in Amyntaia.
5. KKE, following instructions from the Slavs, has decided to commit sabotage at every airfield, air base or any other base containing war materiel. Large sums of money have been placed at the disposal of the KKE for this purpose. Each person who undertakes a mission against these targets is rewarded 20 gold sovereigns. Double this amount will be paid to persons belonging to military or air units. (This report has been received from circles close to with the Turkish Military Attache.)

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6. The Communist lawyer Georgios Dallas of Athens is a member of the Central Committee of the KKE in Peloponnesus and of the same committee of the AKE. During the last 20 days of June, he met, on two occasions, in the Grande Bretagne Hotel with an English colonel named Knox to whom he conveyed the ideas of KKE relative to the internal condition of the country. According to Dallas, KKE maintains that peace will return to the country again only when Parliament is dissolved, new elections are held with the participation of KKE, and the "foreigners" cease intervening in the internal affairs of Greece.
7. Food dumps have been established in the area of Giannitsa. These are used to supply the guerrilla bands operating in that area, and the food collected is received largely from residents of the area who are obliged to contribute between 10 and 25 oke of food, according to their individual capacity.
8. Toward the end of March 1947, five Italian Communist doctors went through Trieste to Yugoslavia on their way to Greece where they were being sent on orders of the Communist Party of Italy to help the Greek rebels. These five were heard to say that five more were to follow them. According to the same source, small groups of Italian Communists have, for the past three months, been going through Trieste to Yugoslavia to join units of the Yugoslav army.

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